

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 19 (currently amended)

A track support for support of the track of a magnetic levitation railway, ~~consisting of~~ comprising a steel support in the shape of an inverted trapezoid, having sides formed of side wall web plates, an upper base formed by a cover plate, which cover plate has a top side and an underside, and a lower base formed of a base plate, the side wall web plates being mounted to the underside of the cover plate and converging at an angle towards and being connected to the base plate, the cover plate projecting laterally over and extending from each side wall to form cantilever arms extending from each side, said cantilever arms each having an upper side and an underside, with a stator support web plate projecting approximately perpendicularly from the underside of each cantilever arm, at approximately the middle thereof; and a side guidance rail projecting approximately perpendicularly from the underside of each cantilever arm at the end thereof, a plate being arranged between the end of the stator support web plate and the side wall web plate adjacent to ~~it~~ the stator support web plate and between the end of the stator support web plate and the side guidance rail adjacent to ~~it~~ the stator support web plate, said the so arranged plates having an upper side and an underside, a pair of web flanges projecting from the undersides of said the so arranged plates beneath each of said cantilevers and being parallel to and equidistant from an imaginary extension of said stator support webs, a stator pack being supported between each of said pair of web flanges.

Claim 20 (currently amended) A track support for support of the track of a magnetic levitation railway, consisting of comprising a steel support in the shape of an inverted trapezoid, having sides formed of side wall web plates, an upper base formed by a cover plate, which cover plate has a top side and an underside, and a lower base formed of a base plate, the side wall web plates being mounted to the underside of the cover plate and converging at an angle towards and being connected to the base plate, the cover plate projecting laterally over and extending from each side wall to form cantilever arms extending from each side, said cantilever arms each having an upper side and an underside, and a side guidance rail projecting approximately perpendicularly from the underside of each cantilever arm at the end thereof, with a pair of stator support web plates projecting approximately perpendicularly from the underside of each cantilever arm, a horizontal support plate connecting each side wall web plate to the stator support web plate closest to it, and a another horizontal support plate connecting each side guidance rail to the stator support web plate closest to it, a stator pack being supported between each of said pair of stator support web plates.

Claim 21 (currently amended): A track support for support of the track of a magnetic levitation railway, consisting of a steel support in the shape of an inverted trapezoid, having sides formed of side wall web plates, an upper base formed by a cover plate, which cover plate has a top side and an underside, and a lower base formed of a base plate, the side wall web plates being mounted to the underside of the cover plate and converging at an angle towards and being connected to the bas plat ,

the cover plate projecting laterally over and extending from each side wall to form cantilever arms extending from each side, said cantilever arms each having an upper side and an underside, and a side guidance rail projecting approximately perpendicularly from the underside of each cantilever arm at the end thereof, with a pair of stator support web plates projecting from the underside of each cantilever arm, at approximately the middle thereof, and diverging away from each other at an acute angle of from 15 to 30° along their projecting lengths, a horizontal support plate connecting each of said diverging stator support web plates to each other, at a distance from said cantilever arms, a support plate connecting each side wall web plate to the stator support web plate closest to it, and a support plate connecting each side guidance rail to the stator support web plate closest to it, a stator pack being supported between each of said pair of stator support web plates.

Claim 22 (previously presented): The track support of Claim 19, wherein the web flanges of each pair each have a first hole adapted to accommodate a bolt passing therethrough and a second hole adapted to accommodate a fixing pin, and the stator pack has cross grooves on one side thereof into which a grooved cross member is inserted, and said stator packs are supported between said flanges by securing said cross members between each of said pairs of flanges by bolts inserted through said first holes and screwed into internal threads in said cross members and by fixing pins pressed into and through said second holes and into blind holes in said cross members, said pins having a cross-section sufficiently less than the cross-sections of said blind holes to result in an annular space between said pins and said blind holes.

Claim 23 (previously presented). The track support of Claim 20, wherein the stator support web plates of each pair each have a first hole adapted to accommodate a bolt passing therethrough and a second hole adapted to accommodate a fixing pin, and the stator pack has cross grooves on one side thereof into which a grooved cross member is inserted, and said stator packs are supported between said stator support web plates by securing said cross members between each of said pairs of stator support web plates by bolts inserted through said first holes and screwed into internal threads in said cross members and by fixing pins pressed into and through said second holes and into blind holes in said cross members, said pins having a cross-section sufficiently less than the cross-sections of said blind holes to result in an annular space between said pins and said blind holes.

Claim 24 (previously presented). The track support of Claim 21, wherein the stator support web plates of each pair each have a first hole adapted to accommodate a bolt passing therethrough and a second hole adapted to accommodate a fixing pin, and the stator pack has cross grooves on one side thereof into which a grooved cross member is inserted, and said stator packs are supported between said stator support web plates by securing said cross members between each of said pairs of stator support web plates by bolts inserted through said first holes and screwed into internal threads in said cross members and by fixing pins pressed into and through said second holes and into blind holes in said cross members, said pins having a cross-

section sufficiently less than the cross-sections of said blind holes to result in an annular space between said pins and said blind holes.

Claim 25 (previously presented). The track support of Claim 22, further comprising washers beneath the heads of said bolts.

Claim 26 (previously presented). The track support of Claim 23 further comprising washers beneath the heads of said bolts.

Claim 27 (previously presented). The track support of Claim 24, further comprising washers beneath the heads of said bolts.